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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sit:

In response to the pending Office Action, mailed July 21, 2005 (Paper No. 0705), please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

-amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims in section a);

-amendments to the drawings are set forth in section b); and

Finally, reconsideration is requested in view of the remarks set forth in section c).

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